lopment in Tamil Nadu during 1992-93;

(b) if so, what is the progress shown in the scheme, if any; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to consider the same for Tamil Nadu during 1993-94?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS SHRI (P. R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details of Ocean Development Schemes being undertaken in Tamil Nadu since 1991-92 are given as under:

1. MARINE SATELLITE INFORMATION SERVICE (MARSIS):

A MARSIS Centre has been established at the Institute for Ocean Management, Anna University, Madras, in order to develop user oriented 1:50000 scale coastal maps as well as for developing a Coastal Geographical Information System (CGIS) for the Tamil Nadu coast using the satellite data. The maps and CGIS will be useful in planning for coastal land use patterns, identification of suitable areas for the development of brackishwater aquaculture, etc.

Out of the 60 coastal maps proposed to be prepared for delineating coastal features, 35 maps have already been prepared and preparation of the remaining maps is in progress. Further, the Coral reef maps prepared on the basis of satellite data of the coral ecosystem prevailing in the Gulf of Mannar, are in the final stages of completion.

2. COASTAL OCEAN MONITORING AND PREDICTION SYSTEM (COMAPS):

Data on various chemical elements in sea water, including the major pollutants, are being collected in the sea along the Tamil Nadu coast by two special units established at the Madras and Tuticorin laboratories of Central Electro-chemical Research Institute. The data generated are being used to monitor the the pollution levels along the coast of Tamil Nadu.

3. COASTAL OCEAN DESIGN AND PREDICTION SYSTEM (CODAPS):

A programme on Coastal Ocean Design and Prediction System (CODAPS) is operational at the CODAPS Cell in the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras. The Cell is reviewing the computer software available in the development of mathematical models to design onshore and offshore structures used in the coastal protection measures and bring out a user-friendly software in this field. The Cell will also operationalise the storm surge prediction model developed at IIT, Delhi, for predicting the extent of inundation of sea water towards the land during the cyclonic weather periods.

(c) Does not arise.

Representation from the personnel of Indian Trade Service

1606. SHRI SATCHIDANANDA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the provisions of Senior Time Scale after completion of four years of service is available to certain Central Services recruited

through Combined Civil Services Examination for IAS and other Central Services;

(b) if so, the names of services where this provision of Senior Time Scale after completion of four years of service exists;

(c) whether it is a fact that some Central Services like Indian Trade Service do not have the provisions of Senior Time Scale;

(d) if so, whether Government have received representation from this Service; and

(e) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) Most of the Organised Central Services provide for promotion to Senior Time Scale (Rs. 3000—4500) from Junior Time Scale (Rs. 2200—4000). The eligibility usually prescribed for this promotion is 4 years regular service in Junior Time Scale.

(c) The Indian Trade Service does have a provision for Senior Time Scale. However, this scale in the service is designated as Grade-II and officers in Grade-III (Rs. 2200—4000) with four years regular service are eligible for promotion to this scale.

(d) and (e) The Government have received representations from the Indian Trade Service regarding stagnation in Grade-III. A proposal for upgrading certain posts on the basic of functional justifications is under examination.

Independent Recruitment Board for the minorities

1607. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the Ministries/Departments which have set up independent Recruitment Boards/Selection committees for the purpose of selection and recruitment to various categories of posts;

(b) whether there is any norm laid down by Goevrnment or by the ministries itself for the appointment of a person belonging to the minority community on these boards/ selection committees;

(c) if so, which of these Recruitment Board/Selection Committee are represented by the minority community; and

(d) if the answer to part (b) above be in the regative, whether Government propose to consider the question of making it mandatory for the Ministries/Deptt. to appoint persons belonging to the Minority community on boards/selection committees, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (d) Recruitment to Group 'A' and 'B' posts is mostly done through UPSC and to Group 'C' through Staff Selection Commission. Wherever recruitment is done by Ministries/Departments for Group 'C' posts within their purview and for recruitment to Group 'D' posts, a Selection Committee is constituted. Where recruitment is on a large scale like in Railways, independent Recruitment Boards are set up. Instructions have already been issued to the effect that wherever a Selection Committee/Board exists or has to be constituted for making recruitment to 10 or more vacancies in Group 'C' or Group 'D' posts/services, it shall be mandatory to have one member belonging to the Scheduled Castes/Tribes and one member belonging to the minority community in such Committees/ Boards. The member from the SC/ST and minority community will be from within the overall sanctioned strength of the Selection Committee/Board